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What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method, comprising:
- 2 receiving meta-data broadcast by a server system, the meta-data including
- 3 descriptions of a plurality of data files to be broadcast later by the server system;
- 4 selecting in response to a content rating table one or more of the plurality
- 5 of data files described by the meta-data, the content rating table generated
- 6 responsive to data files previously accessed by a user;
- 7 receiving each one of the selected one or more of the plurality of data files
- 8 broadcast by the server system; and
- 9 selectively storing the selected one or more of the plurality of data files
- 10 broadcast by the server system.

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- 2 2. The method of claim 1 further comprising activating a client system
 - 2 prior to a broadcast of the meta-data by the server system.

- 1 3. The method of claim 2 further comprising receiving a meta-data
- 2 broadcast schedule broadcast by the server, the client system activated in response
- 3 to the meta-data broadcast schedule prior to the meta-data broadcast.

1 4. The method of claim 1 further comprising activating a client system
2 prior to a broadcast time of each one of the selected one or more of the plurality of
3 data files broadcast by the server system.

1 5. The method of claim 4 further comprising receiving a broadcast
2 schedule of the plurality of data files broadcast by the server, the client system
3 activated in response to the broadcast schedule of the plurality of data files prior
4 to the broadcast of each one of the selected one or more of the plurality of data
5 files by the server system.

1 6. The method of claim 1 wherein the plurality of data files comprise at
2 least one of video information, graphical information, audio information, multi-
3 media information or textual information.

1 7. A method, comprising:
2 broadcasting meta-data to one or more client systems, the meta-data
3 including descriptions of a plurality of data files to be broadcast later; and
4 broadcasting each one of the plurality of data files to the one or more
5 client systems, wherein the one or more of client system is coupled to selectively
6 store one or more of the broadcasted plurality of data files in response to the
7 previously broadcasted meta-data and a content rating table, the content rating
8 table generated responsive to data files previously accessed by a user.

1 8. The method of claim 7 further comprising broadcasting a meta-data
 2 broadcast schedule prior to broadcasting the meta-data, the meta-data broadcast
 3 schedule to indicate a time when the meta-data is to be broadcast later.

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 2 9. The method of claim 7 further comprising broadcasting a broadcast
 3 schedule of the plurality of data files, the broadcast schedule of the plurality of
 4 data files to indicate a time when each one of the plurality of data files is to be
 broadcast later.

1 10. The method of claim 7 wherein the plurality of data files comprise at
 2 least one of video information, graphical information, audio information, multi-
 3 media information or textual information.

1 11. An apparatus, comprising:
 2 a processor having circuitry to execute instructions;
 3 a communications interface coupled to the processor, the communications
 4 interface coupled to receive broadcasts from a server system;
 5 a storage device coupled to the processor, having sequences of instructions
 6 stored therein, which when executed by the processor cause the processor to
 7 receive meta-data broadcast by a server system, the meta-data including
 8 descriptions of a plurality of data files to be broadcast later by the server system;

9 select in response to a content rating table one or more of the plurality of
10 data files described by the meta-data, the content rating table generated responsive
11 to data files previously accessed;

12 receive each one of the selected one or more of the plurality of data files
13 broadcast by the server system; and

14 selectively store the selected one or more of the plurality of data files
15 broadcast by the server system.

1 12. The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the processor is further caused to
2 receive a meta-data broadcast schedule broadcast by the server; and
3 activate the apparatus in response to the meta-data broadcast schedule
4 prior to the meta-data broadcast.

1 13. The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the processor is further caused to
2 receive a broadcast schedule of the plurality of data files broadcast by the
3 server; and
4 activate the apparatus in response to the broadcast schedule of the plurality
5 of data files prior to the broadcast of each one of the selected one or more of the
6 plurality of data files by the server system.

1 14. The method of claim 11 wherein the plurality of data files comprise at
2 least one of video information, graphical information, audio information, multi-
3 media information or textual information.

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1 15. A machine-readable medium having instructions stored thereon,
2 which when executed by a processor cause the processor to
3 receive meta-data broadcast by a server system, the meta-data including
4 descriptions of a plurality of data files to be broadcast later by the server system;
5 select in response to a content rating table one or more of the plurality of
6 data files described by the meta-data, the content rating table generated responsive
7 to data files previously accessed;
8 receive each one of the selected one or more of the plurality of data files
9 broadcast by the server system; and
10 selectively store the selected one or more of the plurality of data files
11 broadcast by the server system.

1 16. The machine-readable medium of claim 15 wherein the processor is
2 further caused to
3 receive a meta-data broadcast schedule broadcast by the server; and
4 activate a client system in response to the meta-data broadcast schedule
5 prior to the meta-data broadcast.

1 17. The machine-readable medium of claim 15 wherein the processor is
2 further caused to
3 receive a broadcast schedule of the plurality of data files broadcast by the
4 server; and

5 activate a client system in response to the broadcast schedule of the
6 plurality of data files prior to the broadcast of each one of the selected one or
7 more of the plurality of data files by the server system.

1 18. The method of claim 15 wherein the plurality of data files comprise at
2 least one of video information, graphical information, audio information, multi-
3 media information or textual information.

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1 19. An apparatus, comprising:
2 a processor having circuitry to execute instructions;
3 a communications interface coupled to the processor, the communications
4 interface coupled broadcast data to one or more client systems;
5 a storage device coupled to the processor, having sequences of instructions
6 stored therein, which when executed by the processor cause the processor to
7 broadcast meta-data to the one or more client systems, the meta-data
8 including descriptions of a plurality of data files to be broadcast later; and
9 broadcast each one of the plurality of data files to the one or more client
10 systems, wherein the one or more client systems is coupled to selectively store
11 one or more of the broadcasted plurality of data files in response to the previously
12 broadcasted meta-data and a content rating table, the content rating table
13 generated responsive to data files previously accessed.

1 20. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein the processor is further caused to
 2 broadcast a meta-data broadcast schedule prior to broadcasting the meta-data, the
 3 meta-data broadcast schedule to indicate a time when the meta-data is to be
 4 broadcast later.

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 2 21. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein the processor is further caused to
 3 broadcast a broadcast schedule of the plurality of data files, the broadcast schedule
 4 of the plurality of data files to indicate a time when each one of the plurality of
 data files is to be broadcast later.

1 22. The method of claim 19 wherein the plurality of data files comprise at
 2 least one of video information, graphical information, audio information, multi-
 3 media information or textual information.

1 23. A machine-readable medium having instructions stored thereon,
 2 which when executed by a processor cause the processor to
 3 broadcast meta-data to the one or more client systems, the meta-data
 4 including descriptions of a plurality of data files to be broadcast later; and
 5 broadcast each one of the plurality of data files to the one or more client
 6 systems, wherein the one or more client systems is coupled to selectively store
 7 one or more of the broadcasted plurality of data files in response to the previously

8 broadcasted meta-data and a content rating table, the content rating table
9 generated responsive to data files previously accessed.

1 24. The machine-readable medium of claim 23 wherein the processor is
2 further caused to broadcast a meta-data broadcast schedule prior to broadcasting
3 the meta-data, the meta-data broadcast schedule to indicate a time when the meta-
4 data is to be broadcast later.

1 25. The machine-readable medium of claim 23 wherein the processor is
2 further caused to broadcast a broadcast schedule of the plurality of data files, the
3 broadcast schedule of the plurality of data files to indicate a time when each one
4 of the plurality of data files is to be broadcast later.

1 26. The method of claim 23 wherein the plurality of data files comprise at
2 least one of video information, graphical information, audio information, multi-
3 media information or textual information.

1 27. A system, comprising:
2 a broadcast server;
3 one or more client systems coupled to the broadcast server;

4 wherein the broadcast server is coupled to broadcast meta-data to the one
 5 or more client systems, the meta-data including descriptions of a plurality of data
 6 files to be broadcast later by the server system;

7 wherein the client system is coupled to select in response to a content
 8 rating table one or more of the plurality of data files described by the meta-data,
 9 the content rating table generated responsive to data files previously accessed;

10 wherein the broadcast system is further coupled to broadcast the plurality
 11 of data files;

12 wherein the client system is coupled to selectively store the selected one or
 13 more of the plurality of data files broadcast by the server system.

1 28. The system of claim 27 wherein the one or more client systems
 2 coupled to the broadcast server through a network.

1 29. The system of claim 27 wherein the one or more client systems is
 2 coupled to the broadcast server through a radio transmission through the
 3 atmosphere.

1 30. The system of claim 27 wherein communications between the one or
 2 more client systems and the broadcast server are uni-directional.